GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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RESTRICTIONS ON RELIGIOUS PRACTICES BY HINDUS
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Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Hindus staying in some Muslim countries are not allowed to perform religious functions i.e. Cremation, Pooja Path etc;

(b) If so, the details thereof including the names of such countries;

(c) Whether the Government has taken up the issue with these countries; and

(d) If so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER FOR OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. Due to their own traditions and customs, certain Muslim countries discourage observance of Hindu rituals in public.

(c)&(d): As and when such issues are brought to the notice of the Government, the latter takes up the matter with the countries concerned.